TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2380 - SB 2181

February 24, 2016

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires veterans who are not residents of Tennessee and who are enrolled in any public higher education institution to receive the in-state tuition rate and to be exempt from any out-of-state tuition or fees. Requires veterans to present discharge papers, Form DD-214, or any other equivalent documents to receive in-state tuition. Prohibits veterans who were not honorably discharged from receiving the in-state tuition rate.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (012899): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires veterans eligible for post-9/11 GI Bill benefits or Montgomery GI bill benefits who are not residents of Tennessee and who are enrolled in any public higher education institution to receive the in-state tuition rate and to be exempt from any out-of-state tuition or fees. Requires veterans to present discharge papers, Form DD-214, or any other equivalent documents to receive in-state tuition.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- A majority of veterans who attend public higher education institutions currently receive the in-state tuition rate.
- Based on the information provided by the University of Tennessee and the Board of Regents, any loss of revenue that would occur as a result of current veteran students receiving the discounted in-state tuition rate in lieu of the out-of-state rate pursuant to the provisions of this bill is expected to be offset by increases in tuition revenue occurring as a result of new veteran students that will enroll when such individuals would not be expected to enroll in the absence of the bill.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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